City Council Meeting Minutes July 1, 2024 @ 5:00 PM

Present: Mayor Roger Weatherwax

Brent White Denise Lovett Cassandra Lee Jason White

Absent: Joyce Jeffreys

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Weatherwax followed by pledge and prayer. Council was asked to approve and dispense the reading of the minutes from Council Meeting June 3, 2024, Work Session June 10, 2024 & Council Meeting June 17, 2024

Motion: Jason White 2nd: Denise Lovett

Resolution 2024-011 for Grant Application for Sewer Improvements this is in the south-central area and the City would be responsible for \$245,100.00 of matching funds and would receive \$500,000.00

Motion: Denise Lovett

2nd: Brent White

Approve to advertise for the completion of the Ball Park Parking area at the new Ball Fields – East Side.

Motion: Jason White 2nd: Denise Lovett

Approve \$25,000.00 for the Gas Dept per request from superintendent Caleb Harville to paint regulator stations due to requirements. Last time this was done was 5 yrs ago.

Motion: Jason White 2nd: Brent White

Approve Bid to Demo 14321 Court ST – Recommend to accept low bid:

- 1) CDI, LLC \$48,711.00 Warren Clark
- 2) T&T Contractors \$49,750.00 Craig Terry

Motion to approve low bid: Brent White

2nd: Jason White

Request to replace carpet in City Hall for \$29,887.09 with glued down 28mil vinyl plank flooring Quote #2

This item was tabled until Council can inspect current condition of flooring in City Hall.

Approve Quote from Quality Paving:

*Street Dept \$5,360.00

*Water Dept \$3,860.00

*Gas Dept \$3,145.00

Total for all \$12,365.00

Motion: Denise Lovett

2nd: Brent White

Councilwoman Cassandra Lee was ask by Mayor Weatherwax to address to the Council her concerns about the cemetery he ask that it be talked about in the next Work Session. Ms. Lee stated that the issues had been spoken about in Work Sessions already. She wanted the items on the agenda, she had ask that they be on there. Mayor stated that he didn't have it on the agenda to be voted on. Ms. Lee didn't understand why he was denying that to be on the agenda for a vote. Mayor Weatherwax stated it was something that needed to be discussed at a Work Session and for this reason he didn't put it on the agenda. Ms. Lee stated that the Mayor had previously said that it would be a great idea to have cemetery put under Park and Recreation and give a raise to the Supervisor for doing that. The Mayor continued to express that it was not on the agenda to vote on and it would be discussed at the next Work Session. Ms. Lee and the Mayor went back and forth about why he didn't put it on the agenda with him saying that it wasn't appropriate to discuss it at this Council Meeting that it had been discussed before but no decisions had been made. Councilwoman Denise Lovett ask if the figures of what it would cost to move the 2 current employees to the Park and hire 2 other employees for the cemetery and if the Parks budget could handle that increase. Ms. Lee stated that it was not and Ms. Lovett ask for that information to be made available before she decided. Ms. Lee said she was open for that and it was a good idea to have that information but that the Mayor needed to

remember what he had said and not all the sudden have amnesia which he seems to have often because he is the leader of this City. Ms. Lee stated that the idea that the cemetery has been allowed to look like this and nobody acting. She also said the employees didn't have the things that they have out there — no heat or air...etc. She continued to state that they work in deplorable and inhuman conditions and the Mayor is responsible for this. She has an issue with the Mayor denying things on the agenda just because he can without cause. Other Council also commented that at times the cemetery looks good but other times it doesn't. Ms. Lee stated that the temporary inconsistent help is not the solution to keeping it looking good, that until a permanent solution is committed she is not done with the cemetery.

Craig Knight – police chief brought to the Council – a copy the ALA Code 3-7A-7 that states that each county in the state shall provide a suitable county pound and impounding officer for the impoundment of dogs, cats and ferrets found running at large in violation of the provisions of this chapter. Every municipality with a population over 5000 in which the county pound is not located shall maintain a suitable pound or contribute their pro rata share to the staffing and upkeep of the county pound. If the owner of an impounded animal is known, the owner shall be given notice of the impoundment…etc

The County Commission has been made aware of the Code and this clears up any questions to who provides Animal Control – in the case of the City of Moulton – the County is to provide the Animal Control because of the population.

Motion: Denise Lovett 2 nd : Brent White	
Roger Weatherwax, Mayor	Deroma Pepper, City Clerk
Brent White, Council Member	Cassandra Lee, Council Member
Lason White, Council Member	Denise Lovett Council Member

With no other business the Mayor ask for motion to adjourn: